

# Family Times

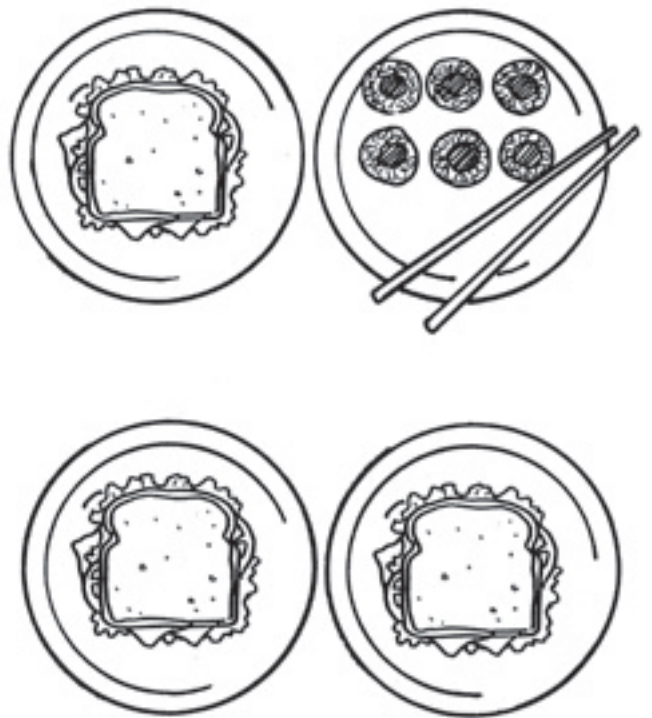
## Summary

### Inside Out

Francisco is the son of migrant workers new to America. He attends an American school and struggles to learn the language. A misunderstanding with a bullying classmate embarrasses him, but he feels better when his drawing wins first prize in a contest. During the year, he studies a caterpillar in the classroom, eventually watching it construct a cocoon and become a butterfly.

### Activity

**Fitting In** Talk to a grandparent or other adult you know who came to America from another country. Interview the person about his or her experiences trying to “fit in.” What was the hardest part? What was the easiest?



## Comprehension Skill

### Compare and Contrast

When writers **compare** and **contrast** things, they tell how those things are alike or different. Words such as *same*, *also*, *before*, *although*, and *however* are clues that things are being compared or contrasted.

### Activity

**Yours & Mine** With a family member, find two pairs of shoes from different people in your house and put them side by side. Compare and contrast the size, color, style, and how much wear they show. Try comparing and contrasting other household items by using a Venn Diagram.